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SUBJECT: BELGIAN PROPOSAL TO EXCLUDE FLOPPY DISCS FROM  
IL - 1572(D) COVERAGE - SUNDRY PROPOSALS RE WORD PROCESSIN  
G EQUIPMENT - IL 1572.

REFS: A. COCOM DOC. DEF(74)1572/2; B. OECD PARIS 20944.

1. DEL SHOULD OPPOSE EXCLUSION OF FLOPPY DISCS FROM EMBAR-  
GO BECAUSE OF THE CONCERN OF US AUTHORITIES THAT THE DESIGN  
AND PRODUCTION TECHNOLOGY FOR THESE DEVICES WHICH PERMITS  
PUTTING PACKING DENSITIES ON THE ORDER OF 3100 BPI PER  
TRACK ON SUCH DISCS WOULD THEREBY BE RELEASED AND BE APPLIC-  
ABLE IN REMEDYING BLOC TECHNOLOGICAL DEFICIENCIES IN THE  
MANUFACTURE OF STRATEGICALLY SIGNIFICANT COMPUTER RELATED  
EQUIPMENT. NEVERTHELESS, THE US WOULD BE AMENABLE TO PLAC-  
ING FLOPPY DISCS UNDER AN APPROPRIATELY WORDED ADMINISTRATIV  
E NOTE.

2. US AUTHORITIES HAVE AS YET BEEN UNABLE TO RECONCILE CON-  
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FLICTING VIEWPOINTS CONCERNING POSSIBLY TRANSFERRABLE PRO-

DUCTION TECHNOLOGICAL RELATIONSHIPS WHICH MAY EXIST BETWEEN  
PRESENT DAY AND/OR FUTURE BUSINESS MACHINES AND ADVANCED  
COMPUTER PERIPHERAL EQUIPMENT. HOPEFULLY THESE QUESTIONS  
CAN BE RESOLVED IN CONNECTION WITH THE US COMPUTER REDEFINI-  
TION PROPOSAL NOW IN FINAL STAGES BEFORE SUBMISSION TO  
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